CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: EXHIBIT 6.avi

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1300124.005

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Unidentified language

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 25 March 2013

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 25 March 2013

	Components	**Running time**
Timed component(s):	EXHIBIT 6.avi	33:46
Total running time:		33:46

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. It consists of a video clip that shows the sexual abuse of a group of girls (ranging in age from about 6 to 12 years old). The publication

encourages the viewer to regard children as sexually available and them as a legitimate form of adult sexual interest.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.